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We try to send out only good seeds, but we cannot control the conditions of planting. We give no warranty, expressed or implied, as to description, quality, productiveness, or any other matter of any seeds, bulbs, or plants we sell, and we will not be responsible for the crop.

Seeds are postpaid. Plants and bulbs are not, but they will be sent by mail during period from April 10th to November 20th if postage and packing allowance at rates shown on page 5 this folder, is included in remittance. During the remaining, colder, part of the year, plants and bulbs are shipped only by express because of risk of freezing in the mails.

AUTUMN AND WINTER SOWING

Seeds of certain hardy perennials, and of many bulbs, shrubs and trees, seem to need a period of exposure to low soil temperatures in order to put them in shape to germinate. The best way to handle such seeds is to sow them in open ground seed-beds, or in cold-frames, in late autumn, October or November, but in regions with mild winters, or elsewhere whenever the ground thaws for a few days, the sowings may continue during December, January and February with excellent results.

SOW THESE PERENNIALS NOW

Here are a few of the kinds that need cold to germinate, and so should be sown outside in late fall. We have selected them more or less at random from the "y" and "kt" seeds in our General Catalog No. 41. Suggest you check through that catalog for descriptions and illustrations of these, and of the many others listed there that may be sown now. If your copy of Catalog No. 41 is mis-laid, ask us for another. Prices here are per packet.

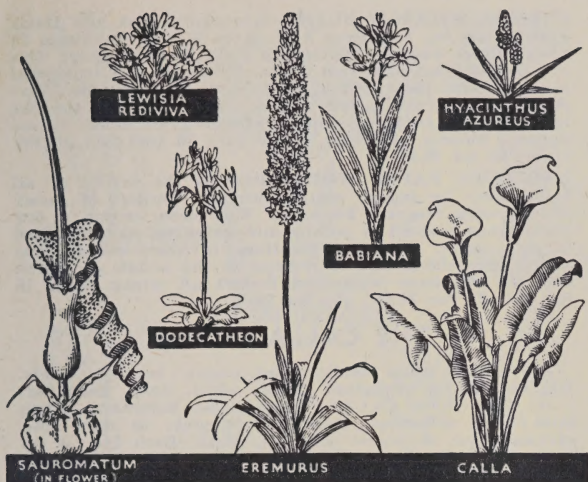
ACANTHOLIMON glumaceum 15c; Aconitum uncinatum 20c; Achillea ageratum Cloth of Gold 15c; Achillea tomentosa sulphurea 20c; Achillea serbica 15c; Aethionema shistosum 20c; Allium acuminatum 15c; Allium azureum 20c; Allium flavum major 20c; Allium pulchellum 15c; Allium tanguticum 20c; Alstroemeria Blend 15c; Anemone albana 15c; Anemone canadensis 15c; Anemone caroliniana rosea 15c; Anemone Regeliana 15c; Anemone sylvestris 20c; Anemone pulsatilla 15c; Anacyclus Pyrethrum 15c; Anthericum liliago 15c; Arenaria montana 15c; Aquilegia akitensis 20c; Aquilegia Buergeriana 20c; Aquilegia chrysantha 15c; Aquilegia coerulea 15c; Aquilegia ecalcarata 25c; Aquilegia glandulosa jucunda 20c; Aquilegia longissima 20c; Aquilegia Long-spurred Avalon Hybrids 20c; Armeria caespitosa 15c; Armeria formosa carnea 15c; Artemisia lactiflora 15c; Astilbe Mixed 20c; Asphodeline lutea 15c; Aster ptarmicoides 15c; Aster spectabilis 15c; Aster tataricus 15c; Asarum caudatum 15c.

BAPTISIA bracteata 15c; Baptisia leucantha 15c; Baptisia villosa 15c; Belamcanda chinesis 15c; Belamcanda Avalon Hybrids 25c; Bletilla hyacinthina 25c; Buddleia Mixed 20c; Boykinia Jamesi 25c.

CACTUS Ornamental Blend 15c; Cactus Opuntia Rainbow Hybrids 10 seeds for 25c; Calandrinia umbellata 20c; Callirhoe papaver 15c; Callirhoe involucrata 15c; Calochortus Mixed 15c; Camassia Cusicki 15c; Cassia marilandica 10c; Ceanothus prostratus 20c; Hardy Chrysanthemum Old Orchard Glory Blend 25c; Chrysopsis mariana 15c; Chrysogonum virginianum 20c; Cimicifuga racemosa 10c; Clematis Davidiana 15c; Clematis recta 15c; Clematis tangutica 15c; Coronilla varia 10c; Coreopsis verticillata 15c; Coreopsis rosea 15c; Crocus Salzmanni 15c; Crocus Clusi 15c; Cyclamen Hardy Blend 10 seeds for 25c.

DENDROMECON rigidum 20c; Dictamnus Mixed 20c; Dodecatheon Mixed 20c; Dicentra chrysantha 20c; Dicentra eximia 15c; Dicentra oregana 20c; Douglasia montana 20c; Douglasia laevigata 20c.

ERANTHIS hiemalis 15c; Erigeron Mixed 15c; Eremurus Peerless Blend 20c; Eriogonum Mixed 15c; Erodium Manes-



cavii 15c; Eryngium Leavenworthi 20c; Eupatorium rugosum 15c; Erythronium Mixed 20c; Euphorbia polychroma 20c; Euphorbia myrsinites 15c; Fritillarias Mixed 20c.

GEUM Finest Mixed 15c; Gentiana acaulis 20c; Gentiana Andrewsii 15c; Gentiana asclepiadea 20c; Gentiana dahurica 20c; Gentiana crinita 20c; Gentiana phlogifolia 15c; Gentiana scabra Buergeri 20c; Gentiana septemfida 15c; Geranium Blue Beauty 20c; Geranium pratense Mixed 15c; Geranium sanguineum 15c; Gilia rubra 15c; Globularia Wilkommii 10c; Gillenia stipulata 15c.

HEPATICA americana 15c; Hemerocallis Peerless Hybrids 20c; Heuchera sanguinea 15c; Hieracium Heldreichii 15c; Houstonia coerulea 15c; Incarvillea Delavayi 15c; Inula ensifolia 10c; Inula magnifica 20c; Iris Bucharica 20c; Iris dichotoma 15c; Iris Douglasiana 15c; Iris ensata Mixed 10c; Gladwyn Iris 15c; Iris Giant Hybrids Mixed 10c; Iris Kaempferi Imperial Mixed 15c; Iris Musselmanica 15c; Iris Ochroleuca Monnierii 15c; Iris pseudacorus 15c; Iris reticulata 20c; Iris setosa 15c; Iris tenax 15c; Iris versicolor 10c; Ixiolirion montanum 15c.

LACTUCA tenerrima 15c; Leucocoryne ixioides odorata 20c; Lilium amabile 20c; Lilium callosum 20c; Lilium canadense 20c; Lilium cernuum 25c; Lilium columbianum 20c; Lilium concolor 15c; Lilium Davidi 20c; Lilium davuricum 20c; Lilium formosanum Wilson 15c; Lilium formosanum Price Variety 25c; Lilium giganteum 20c; Lilium Henryi 20c; Lilium Humboldti magnificum 20c; Lilium Kelloggii 20c; Lilium longiflorum Takesima 25c; Lilium martagon 20c; Lilium martagon album 20c; Lilium Maximowiczii 20c; Lilium medeloides 20c; Lilium pardalinum 20c; Lilium Parryi 25c; Lilium Philadelphicum 20c; Lilium regale 15c; Lilium Regale-group Hybrids 20c; Lilium superbum 15c; Lilium tenuifolium 15c; Lilium tenuifolium Golden Gleam 20c; Lilium Washingtonianum 15c; Liatris elegans 10c; Liatris scariosa Avalon Purple 10c; Liatris scariosa Pure White 15c; Liatris spicata 10c; Lewisia Finchi 20c; Lewisia Howellii 20c; Lewisia rediviva 20c; Limonium speciosum 25c; Lindeloffia spectabilis 20c; Liriope spicata 10c; Ligularia speciosa 25c; Lupinus perennis 15c; Lupinus villosus 15c.

MALVASTRUM coccineum 20c; Meconopsis Baileyi 20c; Meconopsis Wallichii 20c; Mertensia virginica 20c; Milligania densiflora 25c; Morea polystachya 20c; Morongia uncinata 20c; Mulgedium Bourgeai 15c; Muscari Heavenly Blue 10c; Muscari comosum 20c.

ONONIS spinosa 15c; Onosma tauricum 20c; Ostrowskya magnifica 10 seeds for 25c; Orchids Hardy Mixed 25c.

PAEONIA Garden Hybrids (Chinese) 10c; Paeonia tomentosa 20c; Paeonia Mlokosewitschi 20c; Penstemon australis 15c; Penstemon Cobaea 15c; Penstemon confertus Blue 15c; Penstemon glaber Mixed 15c; Penstemon grandiflorus 15c; Penstemon laevigatus 15c; Penstemon Murrayanus 20c; Penstemon nitidus 15c; Penstemon rupicola 25c; Penstemon Blend 15c; Passiflora incarnata 15c; Petalostemon villosus 15c; Phyllodoce empetrifoliosa 25c; Phlox adurgens 20c; Phlox divaricata 15c; Potentilla Cream-primrose 15c; Potentilla delphinensis 15c; Potentilla nepalensis 15c; Potentilla nitida 25c; Potentilla Thurberi 20c; Potentilla White Beauty 15c; Potentilla Warrensi 15c; Pri-

mula auricula 20c; Primula Briscoei 15c; Primula japonica Blend 15c; Primula pulverulenta Hybrids 20c; Primula polyanthus Finest Mixed 25c; Primula Munstead Yellow 20c.

RANUNCULUS fascicularis 15c; Ranunculus Imperial Blend 20c; Rhexia mariana 15c; Rhexia virginica 20c; Romneya Coulteri 15c; The Baby Rose 20c; Ruellia ciliosa 15c; Ruellia strepens 15c; Ruta graveolens 10c.

SANGUINARIA canadensis 15c; Santolina chamaecyparissus 15c; Saxifraga Peerless Blend 20c; Sarracenia purpurea 15c; Sarracenia flava 25c; Shasta Daisy Mixed 15c; Silphium terebinthinaceum 15c; Sisyrinchium Douglasi 25c; Sedums Mixed 20c; Sempervivums Mixed 20c; Sphaeralcea coccinea 15c; Sphaeralcea rivularis 15c.

THERMOPSIS caroliniana 10c; Tricyrtis hirta 20c; Trillium Blend 15c; Tritoma Hybrids 15c; Tradescantia Hybrids 15c; Trollius Ledebouri 15c; Triteleia uniflora coerulea 20c.

ULEX europaeus 15c; Uvularia grandiflora 15c; Viola labradorica 15c; Viola Patrini 15c; Viola pedata 25c; Viola Jooi 20c; Confederate Violet 15c; Viola striata 20c; Viola sylvestris rosea 25c.

SEEDS OF TREES AND SHRUBS

There is a definite advantage in sowing these out of doors in late autumn, germination to be expected following spring. Many more kinds in our TREASURE CHEST folder. Ask for it, if you do not now have it.

Abies concolor 10c; **Abies** magnifica 15c; **Ampelopsis** tricuspidata 15c; **Aronia** arbutifolia 10c; **Azalea** Kurume Hybrids 25c; **Azalea** Hardy Blend 20c; **Berberis** Thunbergi Red-leaf form 15c ($\frac{1}{4}$ oz. 50c); **Callicarpa** americana 10c; **Caragana** arborescens 10c; **Celastrus** scandens 15c; **Celtis** occidentalis 10c; **Cephalanthus** occidentalis 10c; **Chamaecyparis** Lawsoniana 20c; **Chamaedaphne** calyculata 15c; **Chaenomeles** japonica (Cydonia Maulei) 10c; **Clerodendron** trichotomum 15c; **Cotoneasters** Mixed 10c; **Clematis** Tall Mixed 15c; **Clematis** Dwarf Mixed 15c; **Cytisus** scoparius Andreanus 15c; **Colutea** media 15c; **Caryopteris** tangutica 15c; **Daphne** Mezereum 15c; **Diospyros** virginiana $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. for 30c; **Eleagnus** multiflora 10c; **Exochorda** racemosa 15c; **Franklinia** alatamaha 20c; **Fraxinus** americana 10c; **Hydrangea** quercifolia 15c; **Hypericum** densiflorum 15c; **Hypericum** nudiflorum 15c; **Ilex** aquifolium 10c; **Ilex** opaca 10c; **Ilex** verticillata 15c; **Indigofera** divaricata 20c; **Indigofera** potanini 15c; **Juniperus** horizontalis 10c; **Kalmia** latifolia 15c; **Kalmia** angustifolia 15c; **Kolkwitzia** amabilis 15c; **Koelreuteria** paniculata 10c; **Laburnum** alpinum 15c; **Liriodendron** tulipifera 10c; **Lespedeza** Thunbergi 15c; **Malus** coronaria 15c; **Melia** azederach 10c; **Myrica** caroliniana 10c; **Oxydendrum** arboreum 15c; **Philadelphus** Mixed 15c; **Picea** Engelmanni 15c; **Picea** pungens glauca (Selected Blue Spruce) 15c; **Pieris** mariana 15c; **Pinus** Lambertiana 15c; **Pinus** ponderosa 15c; **Pinus** strobus 15c; **Poncirus** trifoliata (Hardy Trifoliate Orange) pkt. 10c, 1 oz. 50c; **Pseudotsuga** taxifolia (P. Douglasi) 15c; **Pyracantha** coccinea Lalandi 15c; **Rhamnus** Purshiana 10c; **Rhus** cotinus 15c; **Rhododendron** catawbiense 15c; **Rhododendron** Fine Mixed 25c; **Robinia** fertilis (Rose Acacia) 15c; **Rosa** spinosissima (Burnet Rose) 15c; **Rosa** rubrifolia 15c; **Rosa** xanthina normalis 15c; **Shrub-Rose** Blend 10c, $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. 25c; **Syringa** Hybrids (Lilac French Hybrids) 20c, $\frac{1}{8}$ oz. 60c; **Syringa** Emodi (Himalayan Lilas) 15c; **Thuja** occidentalis 15c; **Thuja** orientalis aurea 15c; **Vaccinium** corymbosum (Large-fruited cultivated Blueberry) 15c; **Viburnum** dentatum 15c; **Viburnum** trilobum 15c; **Vitex** agnus-castus 15c; **Wisteria** multijuga 15c.

LILY SEEDS

Lilies grow quite readily from seeds sown outside in late autumn, germination taking place early the following spring. Winter's cold helps the seed to start. Our General Catalog No. 41 offers, on pages 53 and 54, seeds of some 47 different species and strains of Lilies. Make your selection there, or if you want a ready-made collection, we will send one packet each of 14 of the easier and quicker kinds representing wide diversification of color and form, for just \$2.00, being 70c less than the total of separate prices. Order as OFFER 118A54. If you want one packet each of the 47 different kinds, send \$8.25 and ask for OFFER 117A54.

SPECIAL LILY BLEND—Includes over 40 *Lilium* species and strains, proportions varying. An excellent mixture. Pkt. 15c; $\frac{1}{8}$ oz. 50c; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. 90c.

HARDY BULBS AND PLANTS

For Autumn Delivery

The kinds offered here may, or should, all be planted in the autumn, to blossom the following spring, or, in the case of forcing bulbs, during this coming winter. Usually available, unless otherwise stated, from early September until past the middle of November, but better mention an alternative kind or two on orders sent in after the middle of October, for naturally stocks of some sorts become depleted. Garden hardiness may be inferred, unless statement or implication to contrary appears, but this means hardiness in the climate of Philadelphia, and in colder or more difficult areas a greater or less degree of winter protection, as with straw or leaves, or by other means, may be desirable with some species.

All bulbs will be the full blooming size natural to that particular kind, but note, please, that certain kinds are always tiny, as *Calochortus*, *Brodiaea* and the like, even though their flowers be large. That's the way they are made, and there is nothing we can do about it.

Bulbs and Plants are not prepaid. If you want them by mail, add 5% to your remittance for points east of Pittsburgh and north of Potomac, 10% to the Mississippi, and 15% west of the river. This is to cover postage and packing. We shall assume that shipment is desired by express, collect, if no allowance for postage accompanies order. Winter shipments by express only.

THE PLUME HYACINTH—Great ostrich plumes of blossoms, bowing gracefully with their own weight. The usual bell-shaped florets have their petals finely shredded, curled and crisped until the whole spike becomes a delightful lilac-lavender plume. Hardy and permanent, the showing of plumes becoming larger and finer each year. Botanically it is not a hyacinth at all, but instead an aberrant giant *Muscari*. A rare, unique, and highly decorative hardy flowering bulb that attracts always a super-quota of garden exclamation. 3 for 35c; 11 for \$1.00; 25 for \$2.00. (Illustrated page 13.)

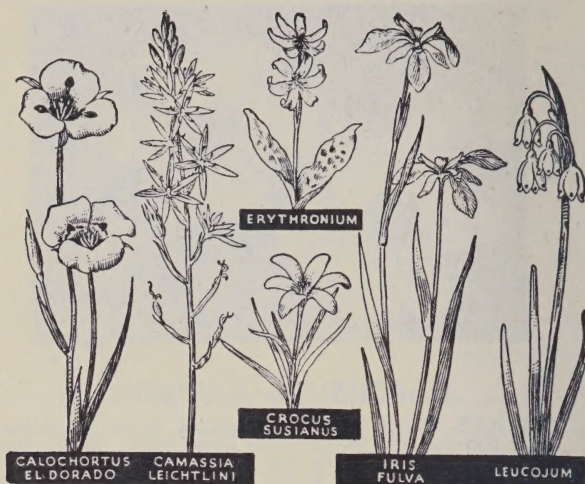
LEWISIA REDIVIVA — Great blossoms in suggestion of Waterlilies, pink Waterlilies, from softest blush to a shade so rich and deep that it approaches rose. It grows to only four inches, but the flowers are, for this, of extraordinary size, many open at once in crowded over-lappings. Of fullest, winter-hardiness if the tubers are kept from frost-heaving damage during the winter months. By the way, tubers will seem limp and flabby when they arrive, but that is their nature, just as they should be during this, their resting period. 3 for 35c; 10 for \$1.00; 60 for \$5.00. (Illustrated page 3.)

CALOCHORTUS BLEND—Called *Mariposa*, or *Butterfly Tulip*, but of course it is not a Tulip at all, though lovelier than most Tulips. Blossoms to five inch diameters, never less than two inches, in rainbow hues, often banded, blotched or embossed in contrasting color tones. A white, pink-suffused or pale lavender ground is usual, with crimson, mahogany, chocolate or mulberry super-imposed, but others will be rich yellow or all lavender. Bulbs naturally small. Pretty hardy when established, but first year we suggest good mulching of straw or other litter. 3 for 25c; 8 for 50c; 17 for \$1.00; 100 for \$5.00. (Illustrated next page.)

IXIOLIRION—Lily of the Altai. Star-spread trumpets in a vivid, breath-stealing indigo, are carried in open clusters. Long bloom in May and June. 20 inches. It seems to winter safely anywhere that Tulips will, though we suggest a bit of mulching with straw or leaves. It's garden treasure. 2 for 25c; 9 for \$1.00; 25 for \$2.40.

MERTENSIA VIRGINICA—The lovely and loveable Virginia Bluebell, with its silken and changeable exquisite colorings, pink in the bud, but lucent blue-sapphire when the flowers open. Nodding blossoms in gracefully arching sprays, over decoratively glaucous leaves. Of complete winter hardiness, getting bigger and better each year. Sun or shade. Dormant tubers, 3 for 40c; 8 for \$1.00; 25 for \$2.60.

LEUCOJUM AESTIVUM—A winter-hardy, long-lived cousin of *Amaryllis* that makes handsome border clumps. Pretty snowy flowers, each petal with olive tip, appear through April and May. The Great, or Summer, Snowflake. 4 for 35c; 10 for 80c. (Illustrated next page.)



BRODIAEA BLEND—We like their slender swaying grace, the soft colorings of their trumpet flowers that sometimes are in loose and airy umbels, but that may again be gathered into tight capitate clusters. There will be pure and suffused white, lavender, lilac, mauve, indigo, purple, with others in rosy pink or salmon-toned yellow. Of about same winter hardiness as the Tulip. 12 to 20 inches. Long in bloom. Amazingly pretty. Bulbs always tiny. 3 for 25c; 8 for 50c; 17 for \$1.00; 50 for \$2.55.

BRODIAEA GRANDIFLORA—Radiating trumpet blossoms of rich deep purple top each slender, foot-high stem. Full hardiness. Easy to grow, 3 for 25c; 8 for 50c. (Illustrated page 13.)

BRODIAEA IXIODES SPLENDENS—Many big stars of salmon-buff, striped autumn brown, are carried in upfacing umbels on 8-inch stems. A fully satisfactory garden bulb. 4 for 35c; 10 for 75c.

BLUE CAMAS LILY—This is *Camassia quamash*. Blossoms that are wide, informal stars, carried in loose spikes to two feet. From soft blue, through indigo, to deep violet. Of full hardiness, living and flowering for years. Valued for mass plantings, great rippling wave-plantings of it can be spectacular, even small group-clumps will delight. Long-time beauty never cost less. 11 for 50c; 25 for \$1.00; 100 for \$3.35; 250 for \$7.50.

CAMASSIA LEICHTLINI—For massed plantings, great banks of color, use the last, but for spectacular border accents it is this splendid greater Camas Lily that will best fit. Conditions right, it will reach to five feet or more, showy "Eremurus" spikes that may sometimes each carry as many as a hundred of the big, starry blossoms in their varying tones of lavender, mauve, blue, even violet. Of equal hardiness and ease of growing with the Tulip. 3 for 35c; 10 for \$1.00; 25 for \$2.25. (Illustrated above.)

ZYGADENUS FREMONTI—Open panicles of creamy blossoms, each flower with a super-imposed center star of deeper yellow. A profuse bloomer. Of full hardiness. 3 for 35c; 10 for \$1.00.

ERYTHRONIUM BLEND — Dainty lily-blossoms for the shaded corner, spring-tide pleasure for years to come, if you plant them now. Cream, lemon-gold, lavender, purple, rosy pink, all should be there. Note size of bulbs will vary, for this is a mixture of species, and bulbs of some kinds are naturally larger than are those of others. 3 bulbs for 25c; 7 for 50c; 15 for \$1.00; 50 for \$3.00. (Illustrated above.)

THE DELIGHTFUL FRITILLARIAS—Dainty exquisites of the Lily tribe, the Fritillarias present no difficulties of culture or of hardiness to the person who succeeds with the ordinary Liliiums. **PLURIFLORA**—Lovely, wide bells of pure, deep rose. Ten inches. Sun, or light shade. 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50. **PUDICA**—Many nodding bells of shining gold. Seven inches. Prefers sun. 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50. **RECURVA**—Flaring, recurved scarlet bells, flecked yellow within. Twenty inches. Light shade. 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50.

BREVOORTIA IDA-MAIA—Firecrackers, so it is called from the several tubular flowers of brilliant, emerald-tipped scarlet that top each slender 30-inch stem. Hardy without protection at Philadelphia. Bulbs naturally tiny. 3 for 35c; 10 for \$1.00.

MUSCARI WHITE—A likeable little Grape Hyacinth in pure white. One of the prettier hardy rock garden or naturalizing bulbs. 4 for 35c; 12 for \$1.00; 25 for \$1.95.

MUSCARI HEAVENLY BLUE—This delightful Grape Hyacinth will give great spring spreads of vivid, soul-stirring blue, deep sky brought to earth. Splash it about liberally. You will like it in border or rock garden, against shrubby back-drops, or naturalized in lawn, meadow, orchard or woodland, and if you wish, you may force it for indoor winter blossoms. 6 for 35c; 19 for \$1.00; 50 for \$2.45.

ORNITHOGALUM UMBELLATUM—Hardy Star of Bethlehem. Wide white stars, masses of them, look upward. Prodigious of bloom, this easy bulb is effective in rock gardens or as an edging. 7 for 35c; 22 for \$1.00.

SPECIAL NATURALIZING BLEND—We offer a special mixture of hardy Star of Bethlehem and Grape Hyacinth bulbs for wide naturalizing. Bulbs average a trifle smaller than those offered separately, but there will be full count of blooming size in each order filled, with a few extra smaller ones thrown in for good measure. It will give you great spreads of flower-snow, starred over with sapphire blue. 10 for 40c; 50 for \$1.60; 100 for \$3.00.

SHOOTING STAR—Dodecatheon Meadia—Clustered, fragrant flowers, from palest pink to soft rose. Thrives in shade or sun. Flower-form reminds of Cyclamen. Full hardiness. Each 30c; 3 for 80c; 10 for \$2.30. (Illustrated page 3.)

TRILLIUM GRANDIFLORUM — Loveliest of the Trinity Lilies, flowers that open snowy white, suffusing gradually with a pink that deepens to rich rose. It likes shade, but does quite well in sun, given deep, rich soil. Each 25c; 3 for 70c; 10 for \$2.00.

TRILLIUM LUTEUM—Really a yellow Trillium, flowers of lemon and buff. Marbled leaves. Hardy and easy. Each 30c; 3 for 80c; 10 for \$2.30.

RANUNCULUS SPLENDID MIXED—Magnificent double and semi-double flowers on 15-inch stems, straw to gold, orange, scarlet and crimson, with pink tones and others ringed or petal-tipped contrastingly. Shade-tolerant. Recommended for pot culture, but will often winter outside also if mulched as cold weather sets in. 4 for 25c; 18 for \$1.00.

ANEMONE CORONARIA MIXED — Poppy-like flowers in vivid colorings, including blue, indigo and scarlet. Often zoned. 10 inches. Usually winters in north if well mulched. Also suitable for cool pot culture. Exceedingly showy. 3 for 20c; 10 for 50c; 25 for \$1.10.

TRITELEIA COERULEA—Blue-Star Flower. Wide blossoms of china-blue, varying to indigo, each an inch or more across, great multitudes of them for a glorious succession of spring weeks. 8 inches. Needs no protection at Philadelphia, but would be safest with some winter mulching in colder areas, 3 for 25c; 7 for 50c; 16 for \$1.00; 50 for \$2.85. (Illustrated page 13.)

ALLIUM MOLY—It blooms in June, at Iris time, upfacing, massed clusters of tiny open bells in richest and deepest of golden yellows. 10 inches. Sun or light shade. Full hardiness. A bulb will eventually increase to a good clump-group. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00.

IRIS RETICULATA—In earliest spring the upfacing blossoms of richest velvety purple, touched with gold, will surprise. Flowers large; stems short. Fragrance of violets. A true bulb. Perhaps most delightful of early spring bulb-flowers. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 7 for \$1.00; 25 for \$3.25; 100 for \$11.50. (This Iris will force.)

TRUE BULB IRISES—This is a blend of fine varieties and color forms of the Dutch Xiphium Irises, a likeable group of true bulbs with flowers in Orchid reminder. There should be blossoms of russet and smoky bronze, pale blue, indigo, rich yellow, softly tinted whites. Long lasting when cut. Hardy and easy. 20 inches. Bulbs of mixed colors in suitable size for open garden planting, giving fine first-year bloom. 10 for 45c; 23 for \$1.00; 100 for \$4.00.

ASCLEPIAS TUBEROSA—Brilliant flowers in rich and flaming orange. Long in bloom. Thrives in hot, dry places. Cuts well. Fullest hardiness. 25 inches. Summer. A perennial with slender, tuberous root. Plant in upright position immediately upon receipt. Each 25c; 3 for 70c; 10 for \$2.00.

ALSTROEMERIA CHARM

Painted in gayest brilliance, massed in magnificent display, are the clustered, oddly-formed blossoms of these fairly hardy cousins of *Amaryllis*. Here at our New Jersey nursery we have no trouble at all in carrying them over from year to year in the open ground. In late autumn we cover the planting with straw or salt hay, parting this in spring to let the stems through, but leaving it on through the summer, when it serves to insulate the soil from too much sun heat. So handled, our colonies of *Alstroemeria* have thrived, and spread. Slightly heavier winter mulching should serve to hold the plants through safely in more northern areas, but in regions of great winter extremes, the brittle, somewhat tuberous roots may, if one wishes, be carried over in slightly dampened sand in a cool cellar. Handle the roots with care, for they are rather fragile; also they should be planted promptly upon receipt. They are ready somewhat later than the other bulbs, so are usually sent out separately. **AURANTIACA**—Great clusters of golden orange, inner segments splashed crimson. 3 for 80c; 10 for \$2.25. **LIGTU**—Daintiest of *Alstroemerias*, with blossoms that may be blush, rose, orange-toned pink, or even flame color. 3 for 80c; 10 for \$2.25. **PULCHELLA**—Parrot Lily. Four-foot stems are topped with whorls of uneven trumpets in rich red, each petal with emerald tip. 3 for 65c; 10 for \$1.90. **PELEGRINA ALBA**—Lily of the Incas. Great clusters of unmarked blossoms in snowy white. 3 for 90c; 10 for \$2.55. **SEEDS OF ALSTROEMERIAS**—They may be sown now. See page 32 of Catalog 41.

EREMURUS or FOXTAIL LILY

It is June, and the magnificent seven-foot spike of *Eremurus robustus* that has accented the border, is losing its hundreds of airy, soft pink star-blossoms, but the nearby *Eremurus Bungei* from north Persian hills is opening the rich, deep gold of its pyramid spires, and that lovely variety *Isobel* is showing pink-flushed, pale orange tones. *Eremurus* is of full winter hardiness in most northern positions when once established, but requires some protection of straw or litter the first year. Also, like Peony, it resents disturbance, and sometimes fails to give typical bloom the first season after moving, but once dug in, it is long-lived. It can be moved only in autumn. Give full sun and good drainage. We guarantee safe arrival in good condition, but, since we have no control over planting, position, or first-winter care, we cannot guarantee that the plants will live. However, it is rarely that they do not. Following kinds can be supplied: *Bungei*, rich yellow, each \$1.00; *Elwesianus*, early soft pink, \$1.95; *Himalaicus*, tall creamy white, \$1.10; *Robustus*, splendid pink, \$2.00; *Isobel*, melting apricot, \$1.60; *Moonlight*, pale yellow, \$1.95; *Rosalind*, delightful pink tintings, \$1.95; *White Beauty*, spectacular white, \$1.60. Illustrated page 3.

EREMURUS SEEDS—Sow them now. See page 45 of Catalog 41 for extended offerings. Ask for another copy of Catalog 41, if that sent you last spring has been lost.

AUTUMN MAGIC

They blossom in autumn, or some of them in late summer, after all their spring foliage has long ripened and disappeared, and all sign of the plants has gone. Then of a sudden the blossom stems push up through the bare earth, and, by a presto turn, the flowers themselves appear. All are reasonably winter-hardy at Philadelphia, but in colder climates some winter protection of the planting with straw or leaves would be indicated. **LYCORIS RADIATA**—Clustered flowers in richest of sparkling reds, petals recurved, crispy, waxy. Will force. 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50. **AMARYLLIS BELLADONNA**—Perfumed, clustered flower-trumpets in soft pink to deep rose. Each 60c; 3 for \$1.55. **COLCHICUM AUTUMNALE**—Big cup-shaped flowers in a tone between lavender and purple. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00. **COLCHICUM BORNMuLLERI**—Here the cups are rosy pink, with touch of white. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00. **COLCHICUM AGRIPPINUM**—The big flower-cups are colored checker-board style in tessellations of lilac-rose and white. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.40. **STERNBERGIA LUTEA**—Called Autumn Daffodil from the rich display of Daffodil-yellow blossoms, but these are in form of great cups. Makes a glorious showing. Each 30c; 3 for 85c; 10 for \$2.45. **OFFER 208C54**—Three bulbs each of the six kinds for \$5.75.



NARCISSUS or DAFFODIL

POETICUS SNOW KING — Illustrated above. Glistening white perianth with exceptionally broad petals. Small center cup with broad, vivid red edge. Tall, sturdy grower. 3 for 45c; 10 for \$1.15; 25 for \$2.65.

KING ALFRED—Best tried-and-true Giant Trumpet variety, both perianth and trumpet of rich, golden yellow, the trumpet deeply frilled, 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.40.

FIRE TAIL—Creamy white perianth, with center crown that is close to fire-scarlet. 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.40.

NARCISSUS SPLENDID MIXED—A blend of many, and widely varied types of hardy Narcissi (or Daffodils if you prefer that name). Will give a wonderful range of cutting material, or make a beautiful showing in beds, or naturalized. Made up from named varieties, grown separately. 3 for 35c; 10 for \$1.00; 25 for \$2.25; 100 for \$8.00.

THE BABY NARCISSI—We offer three of the dainty little small-flowered Narcissi, valued for the rock garden, or other special positions. These naturally make small bulbs.

BULBOCODIUM CONSPICUOUS—Hoop-petticoat Daffodil. They seem to be all trumpet, golden miniatures, widely flaring. 3 for 35c; 10 for \$1.00. **TRIANDRUS ALBUS**—Angel's Tears. Clusters of creamy white blossoms with fluttering perianth-wings, the little trumpets pointing downward. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 10 for \$1.50. **DOUBLE or QUEEN ANNE JONQUIL**. Clusters of little, fragrant, golden-orange flowers, well-doubled. 3 for 40c; 10 for \$1.10. **OFFER 207C54**—Three each of the three for \$1.15.

THE TRUE LILIES

These are Liliiums, the only real and true Lilies, though in gardens many another, and as desirable, a plant may be called a Lily. Bulbs offered are blooming size; should give you nice flowers this coming spring and summer. Please note that bulbs of some species are naturally much smaller than those of others at full flowering size. It is the way the pattern lies. It doesn't affect their blooming qualities, and we can't change it.

LILIUM PARDALINUM GIGANTEUM — Sunset Lily. Recurved flowers in rich combinations and blendings of crimson and orange. Exceedingly showy. Each 40c; 3 for \$1.10.

LILIUM CALLOSUM—An easy, slender little Lily with pretty flowers in tawny, apricot-toned cinnabar. Each 30c; 3 for 85c.

LILIUM MAXIMOWIZCI—A splendid mid-summer species, sturdily upright spires long hung with recurved blossoms or orange, with ruddy over-tones and black dottings. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00; 7 for \$2.00.

LILIUM TENUIFOLIUM — Coral Lily. Blossoms in the glossy red intensity of old Chinese lacquer. Each 25c; 3 for 70c; 10 for \$2.00.

LILIUM REGALE—Perfumed, flaring trumpets of shining white, but lemon in deep throat and rosy in reverse. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00; 7 for \$2.00.

LILIUM SUPERBUM—Stately plants that sometimes reach ten feet, more usually but five or six. Recurved blossoms in beautiful combinations and overlays of yellow, orange, scarlet and maroon. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00.

BULBS FOR THE WINTER WINDOW

It is really not a very difficult matter to have winter window flowers, that is if you will not try to rush them too much, and will follow the directions in the leaflet that we send out with each lot of bulbs for forcing.

TRITONIA CROCATATA MIXED—Exquisite, sparkling pinks, soft salmons, apricot, flaming orange, scarlet. Blossoms of satiny sheen, carried in graceful sprays. As easy as Freesia, and to be handled in just the same way. 4 for 25c; 9 for 50c; 19 for \$1.00.

HYACINTH FRENCH ROMAN—Gracefully informal, open spikes of snowy white bells, petals thick and waxy. Sweetly perfumed. Forces very easily for winter bloom. Bulbs smaller than those of other Hyacinths. Plant three or more to a pot. 3 for 40c; 8 for \$1.00.

TRITELEIA COERULEA—Multitudes of inch-wide, upfacing blossoms pretty much all winter, in palest china blue to near deep indigo. No surer nor easier winter pot bulb. 3 for 25c; 7 for 50c; 16 for \$1.00.

OXALIS VARIABILIS ROSEA—A charming winter bulb, as near to overblooming as any may well be. Plants like densely foliated cushions, set with short-stemmed blossoms that are, for an Oxalis, of truly immense size, these in rich, clear pink, deep-centered with creamy primrose, petals undulate. An easy pot-bulb for everyone's window, that can hardly be recommended too highly. 4 for 25c; 9 for 50c; 20 for \$1.00.

OXALIS HIRTA—A pretty semi-trailer from South Africa, just right for hanging baskets or boxes. Sprays of rather frond-like foliage, covered with little rose-red flowers. 4 for 25c; 9 for 50c.

OXALIS CERNUA—Bermuda Buttercup. An easy winter bulb of profuse, long-continued floriferousness. Rich, golden blossoms are carried in graceful, arching sprays. 5 for 25c; 11 for 50c.

OXALIS LASIANDRA—This splendid species not only does well in the summer garden, but also it forces with considerable ease, and to much interesting beauty, if handled in pots in a not-too-hot window in winter. Flowers of rich rose-crimson cluster on foot-high stems above radiating, wheel-like leaflets. Specially selected big bulbs, 6 for 25c; 12 for 45c.

BABY GLADIOLUS—This is the famed Tecolete strain. The natural flowering season of it is the winter months, so it is just naturally built for pot forcing in the North. The flowers are airy in form, in shades and tones of orchid, salmon, rose, pink and crimson, usually with contrasting diamond-shaped marking on the lower petal. Start in the dark, and grow them slowly, in temperatures not too high, when brought to the light. 3 for 35c; 9 for \$1.00; 20 for \$2.00.

GLADIOLUS TRISTIS CONCOLOR—Oddly formed creamy flowers that first open at dusk. They carry a delicious, spicy fragrance. Forces readily for late winter bloom. Cannot be grown outside in northern gardens; being definitely a winter pot bulb. 3 for 35c; 9 for \$1.00.

VELTHEIMIA VIRIDIFOLIA—A spectacular pot bulb with decorative, glossy crispy foliage and dense massive trusses of flowers in rosy pink with buff hintings and cinnabar tones. The bulbs ripen off after flowering, but will bloom again each winter for many years, so this is really long-time investment in pleasure. Large bulbs, each 50c; 3 for \$1.35.

MOREA POLYSTACHYA—Big, open sprays of blossoms, shaped like giant butterflies, are carried on thin, wiry stems. Soft mauve, marked with rich Parma violet. Force slowly, gently. 2 for 35c; 7 for \$1.00.

SPARAXIS BLEND—Big blossoms, well-carried, several open at once. The brilliant, widely inclusive colorings, often in contrasting zonings, include lavender, lilac, cream, yellow, salmon, orange, and scarlet. Forced slowly it is a sure and handsome bulb for late winter flowers. 3 for 25c; 9 for 50c; 19 for \$1.00; 50 for \$2.40.

ALLIUM NEAPOLITANUM—A desirable and really beautiful forcing bulb that has long been appreciated abroad at its full good worth. Clusters of flowers in snowiest white, centered with dark stamens. Small bulbs, use at least 3 to a pot. 3 for 25c; 10 for 70c.



PINK
LILY OF THE VALLEY



AMARYLLIS HYBRIDS



LYCORIS
SQUAMIGERA



BRODIAEA
GRANDIFLORA



TRITELEIA
COERULEA



COLCHICUM
AUTUMNALE



HYACINTHUS
PLUMOSUS

AMARYLLIS JOHNSONI—The flowers are large, decidedly showy, and it is claimed to be the easiest *Hippeastrum* for the beginner to grow, though none are very difficult. Big, flaring trumpets of deep red, each petal a wide white stripe. Each 55c; 3 for \$1.50.

AMARYLLIS EQUESTRE—Barbados Lily. Brilliant red, usually with a luminous orange tone. Exceedingly vivid. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.40.

AMARYLLIS GIANT HYBRIDS—No more spectacular pot bulb than this. Magnificent Lily-like flowers that may be rose, scarlet, crimson, all one color, or splashed against white. Mixed only, each 60c; 3 for \$1.65; 10 for \$4.00. (Illustrated above)

BABIANA HYBRIDS—Lovely flowers that may be blue of Gentian, lilac, lavender, violet, cream, white or carmine. As easy as *Sparaxis*, and for same handling. 3 for 25c; 9 for 50c. (Illustrated page 3.)

ORNITHOGALUM THYRSOIDES—Chinkerichee. Long, slender spikes of pure white flowers. Few bulbs cover a longer blooming period; no flower lasts longer when cut. Very easy in pots. 3 for 35c; 9 for \$1.00.

ORNITHOGALUM AUREUM—Like last, but not as tall, here only about 12 inches, and the flower coloring is glowing orange instead of white. 3 for 40c; 8 for \$1.00.

ORNITHOGALUM ARABICUM—Quite different from the last two, flower clusters shorter, broader, more open, individual blooms larger, pure white, each with center of an olive green so dark that it is near black. 3 for 40c; 8 for \$1.00.

LEUCOCORYNE IXIODES ODORATA—A Chilean exquisite from high Andean foothills that is called Glory of the Snow. The 18-inch stems each carry several large and starry blue flowers with undulate petals and white centers. The flowers are pleasingly fragrant, long-lasting. The bulbs respond readily to slow winter forcing. 3 for 35c; 9 for \$1.00.

CYRTANTHUS—Two excellent small-flowered bulbs of the *Amaryllis* family that force with the greatest of ease, and that, moreover, may be brought into bloom winter after winter. **LUTESCENS**—Waxy trumpets of bright yellow. Each 25c; 3 for 65c. **MACKENI**—Slightly larger trumpets of ivory white. Each 25c; 3 for 65c.

LACHENALIA—Delightful little bulbs, called (for some cryptic reason) Cape-cowslips, but reminding more of a young *Hyacinth* with spike gone altogether informal, long-tubed flowers swinging gracefully from the spike-stem. Pot *Lachenalia* bulbs as soon as you get them, and don't wait too long for the getting. Then you will have little difficulty in flowering them early in the winter. Follow *Freesia* handling. **PENDULA SUPERBA**—The half-pendant tubular blossoms are of scarlet-tinged coral with tips of purple and emerald. Each 25c; 5 for \$1.00. **F. W. BURBRIDGE**—Odd tones of red, yellow and chartreuse, maroon-tipped. Each 30c; 3 for 85c.

FREESIA RAINBOW BLEND—Everyone knows how lovely Freesia can be, how easy it is to have them in bloom in every winter window. Be sure to plant them liberally. This is a splendid large-flowered strain. Beside the wax-trumpeted snowy whites, there will be pink, rose, lilac, lavender, carmine shadings, soft yellow, golden, blue, violet and the like in shadings, suffusions and graduations of tone beyond telling. Sweetly perfumed. 5 for 25c; 10 for 45c; 25 for \$1.00; 50 for \$1.85.

NARCISSUS PAPER WHITE—Perhaps the easiest of all bulb-flowers for indoor winter blooming. Clusters of snowy white, richly fragrant blossoms. Will bloom within a few weeks when planted in pebbles and water, or may be potted in soil. Make successive plantings of them every three weeks from the middle of October to the middle of March and you can have continuous flowers all winter long. 10 for 60c; 25 for \$1.25; 100 for \$4.50.

THE CALLA LILIES

The Callas make excellent pot plants, long in bloom. **WHITE CALLA**—Fragrant, purest white, waxy. Each 35c; 3 for 90c. **PINK CALLA**—*Zantedeschia Rehmanni*. From faint blush suffusions, through pure pink, to deep rose, varying plant to plant. Alluring. Rare. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.35. **BLACK CALLA**—*Arum pictum*. Within, velvety black-maroon. Outside olive. Decorative. Each 65c; 2 for \$1.25. **GOLDEN CALLA**—Brilliant shining yellow, thick and wax-like. Must be forced rather slowly. Each 30c; 3 for 85c. **CALLA OFFER**—One each of the four for \$1.65. Note that Callas can be supplied all winter, save the Black which is rarely available after December. (Illustrated page 12.)

HOUSE PLANT SURPRISE

Delightful amazement here. Seeds of more than one hundred distinct species of oramentals suitable for pot culture have gone into this blend, many unusual. Better separate the fine seeds from the coarse, since the latter will need deeper covering. Many will germinate quickly, but of course other kinds are by their nature, slow. Sold only in extra-size packets at 25c each; 3 for 70c.

UNUSUAL IRIS BEAUTIES

VINICOLOR—Rather large, flattened flowers in an unusual shade of wine-purple. Late. Each 40c; 3 for \$1.10.

MONNIERI—Big flowers in buff yellow to golden orange. Cuts well. 50 inches. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00.

TECTORUM—Roof Iris. Loose sprays of large blue flowers, undulate, and with white crests. Each 40c; 3 for \$1.10.

TECTORUM WHITE—Big, wavy flowers of diaphanous, snowy whiteness, gold on blade. Each 50c; 3 for \$1.40.

TRIPETALA—Grchid Iris. Great, showy flowers of rich, velvety purple. Blooms very late. Splendid species. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00.

SINTENISI—Flowers deep violet, lined and spangled over white Compact. 15 inches. Each 35c; 3 for \$1.00.

IRIS SEEDS—Our General Catalog No. 41 offers seeds of very many Iris species, including several of the above. Sow Iris seeds in October or November, germination to take place in spring. See catalog pages 51 and 52. Ask for copy of Catalog No. 41 if you do not already have it. For a mixture of seeds of every type and kind of Irises that we list, order our **IRIS AVALON BLEND**. You will be surprised, and delighted, by the beauty and diversity of the seedlings. 1/16 oz. 15c; 1/4 oz. 40c; 1 oz. \$1.25.

AN EASIER ORCHID

It is **BLETILLA HYACINTHINA**, surely easiest of hardy Orchids, and one of the lovelier. Fairly large blossoms of amethystine purple, sweetly fragrant, are carried gracefully on 15-inch stems. Fully hardy at Philadelphia without any special protective care. In very cold areas, though, mulch with straw or leaves before winter sets in. Clumps will increase in size from year to year. This fine Orchid may also be grown in pots for winter bloom, forcing with ease and beauty under the window conditions that are right for, say, Freesia, and it is as decorative as many of the tender conservatory Orchids. (Illustrated front cover this folder.) Shipment in October. Each 70c; 3 for \$2.00.